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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Examiner: C. Rodriguez

Brian E. Farley, et al.

Group Art Unit: 3763

Serial No.: Not Yet Assigned.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

TREATING VENOUS INSUFFICIENCY USING DIRECTIONALLY APPLIED

ENERGY

Date: January 18, 2000

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX PATENT APPLICATION Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The present application is a divisional of prior application no. 08/811,820. Before examination of the present divisional application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, line 4, after "This application is" please insert - a divisional application of serial no. 08/811,820, filed on March 4, 1997, which was-

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